Appendix 1  Excluded reports

Studies related to reversible obstructive airways disease


**Studies not satisfying or stipulating a criterion of < 15% improvement in forced expiratory volume in one second after a dose of a β₂ agonist**


Studies not satisfying or stipulating a criterion of < 75% FEV1 predicted


Studies lasting less than four weeks


**Drug not compared with comparator of interest**


**Studies without control group**


Duplicate studies


Retrospective studies


**Economic evaluation without data of clinical interest**